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Hui Nalu's senior women's crew (front to back, Kelly Allen, Catherine Fuller, Gail Kaaialii, Tammy Kaneaiakala, Julie Aio and Kauai Pelekani) won the 1 1/2-mile race yesterday.

Goodbye parity, hello Outrigger

The club wins 7 events to outscore Hui Nalu and Lanakila for the OHCRA title

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Parity may have started a game of peek-a-boo early in the 2002 Oahu Hawaiian Canoe Racing Association regatta season, but it disappeared in July.

The Outrigger Canoe Club won its fourth consecutive regatta of the season and added another Oahu championship to its collection yesterday.

Outrigger won seven events, placed second in seven others and finished with 75 points to win the season championship for the sixth time in eight years.

The club could complete the paddling trifecta -- winning its own regatta, OHCRA and the state title -- next month at Hilo.

"It seems to be a typical Outrigger season where we keep on building momentum," Outrigger coach Mike Mason said. "Our younger kids did much better. Our middle age group -- the 14, 15, 16, 18 -- came out really strong.

"We've been working hard for this and we have a much more solid crew of dedicated coaches than before. The core of coaches and paddlers has been much more dedicated."

Hui Nalu, winner of two regattas this season, gave the perennial powerhouse a battle with seven event wins, but succumbed in the end with 66 points. Hui Lanakila also won seven races and finished third with 57 points.

Keahiakahoe cruised in the A division for smaller clubs with 31 points, easily outdistancing itself from second-place Waikiki Surf (13).

Dark clouds hovered over one side of the course at Keehi Lagoon. The overcast skies provided a bit of welcome relief from the heat for paddlers scrambling to qualify for the state races Aug. 3.

Clubs throughout the association beefed up crews in almost every race. The strategy worked with varying success.

"We just fell a little short," Hui Nalu coach Darryl Hara said. "Outrigger has too much depth. We didn't have enough people to make those crews strong all the way through.

"We kind of had to pick our spots where we wanted to get points today. And even in doing that, what looks good on paper doesn't translate to getting across the finish line first."

Hui Nalu's women brought the club back into contention after it trailed by as many as 10 points early on. Hui Nalu swept the women's freshman, sophomore, junior and senior races.

After 30 events, Hui Nalu closed to three points after scoring in five straight events, a span that also included two victories. But that was the closest the club got to catching Outrigger.

"We did OK for a while and then Outrigger came on again," Hara said. "They had a great day, a pretty even attack all day long. They could pick and choose where they wanted to do well, and for the most part, where they wanted to do well, they did."

Except at the task of qualifying more crews.

"Of course we wanted to win, but we also wanted to qualify more crews," Mason said. "We had marginal success. We had a lot of crews in fifth place. We qualified a couple of them, but (not as many) as before. But we're still in pretty good shape."

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John D. Kaupiko Race At Waimanalo Beach Team standings

AA division--1. Outrigger, 75 pts. 2. Hui Nalu, 66. 3. Hui Lanakila, 57. 4. Kailua, 56. 5. Lanikai, 55. 6. Healani, 33.

A division--1. Keahiakahoe, 31. 2. Waikiki Surf, 13. 3. Anuenue, 9. 4. Makaha, 1. 5. (tie) Leeward Kai, Waimanalo, Puuloa 0.

Boys

12-and-under--(1/4 mile): 1. Lanikai (Taylor Cook, Beau Moody, Jason Campbell, Jack Roney, Paulo DeAzevedo, Mike Bronson), 2:12.85. 2. Kailua, 2:18.88. 3. Outrigger, 2:24.03.

13--(1/4 mile): 1. Keahiakahoe (Dustin Hauki, Kaplili Kalahiki-Anthony, Dane Keohokalole, John Kupau, Jordan Miller, Kainoa Ibarra), 1:59.24. 2. Outrigger, 2:06.54. 3. Hui Nalu, 2:07.21.

14--(1/4 mile): 1. Lanikai (Myles Vogelgesang, Kai Aluli, Ryan Jones, Chad Hospodar, Geoffrey Long, Ole Riegels), 1:50.27. 2. Outrigger, 1:51.48. 3. Hui Nalu, 1:53.26.

15--(1/2 mile): 1. Outrigger (Christopher Moy, Taiarii Marshall, Blaise Dubiel, Tairua Marshall, Thomas Roth, Tyler Shinn), 3:56.39. 2. Lanikai, 4:03.24. 3. Hui Nalu, 4:08.50.

16--(1/2 mile): 1. Outrigger (Will Egesdal, Peter Van Lier Ribbink, Cutter Rolles, John Field, Kyle Morgan, Dara O'Carroll), 3:47.67. 2. Lanikai, 3:49.03. 3. Hui Lanakila, 3:57.58.

18--(1 mile): 1. Outrigger (Kapono Brown, Adam Dornbush, Scott Bright, Andrew Cavanah, Matthew Moore, Billy Lawson), 7:28.92. 2. Kailua, 7:29.78. 3. Healani, 7:35.91.

Girls

12-and-under--(1/4 mile): 1. Keahiakahoe (Courtney Dias, Teresa Kahookele, Jasmine "Ui" Heimuli, Jami Marciel, Tyleen Texeira-Rosa, Rachel McCullum), 2:15.20. 2. Hui Nalu, 2:22.16. 3. Anuenue, 2:23.06.

13--(1/4 mile): 1. Keahiakahoe (Jazzmine Silva, Sarah Keliroomalu, Jamie Kumai, Ashley Boyle, Marissa Ameperosa, Irene Kon), 2:11.25. 2. Hui Nalu, 2:16.41. 3. Outrigger, 2:16.81.

14--(1/4 mile): 1. Lanikai (Kirsten Swanson, Kokee Coscina, Arianna Grindle, Jordan Terry, Nicole Anderson, Alicia Van Bokhoven), 2:15.12. 2. Kailua, 2:18.11. 3. Outrigger, 2:20.40.

15--(1/2 mile): 1. Outrigger (Halli Valnier Ribbink, Ginger Lunt, Angela Giancaterino, Dena Cassella, Jamie Pietsch, Meleana Carr), 4:27.62. 2. Keahiakahoe, 4:33.37. 3. Hui Lanakila, 4:35.33.

16--(1/2 mile): 1. Healani (Madisen Minkel, Melanie Keliipuleole, Chanel Gasper, Skye Kanakaole, Kaohi Segovia, Veronique Nguyen), 4:24.97. 2. Waikiki Surf, 4:26.00. 3. Outrigger, 4:32.77.

18--(1/2 mile): 1. Waikiki Surf (Brooke Calpito, Angelica Chong, Beth Nakamura), 4:28.47. 2. Outrigger, 4:38.10. 3. Hui Nalu, 4:38.59.

Men

Novice A--(1 mile): 1. Hui Lanakila (Mike Szewczyk, Jeff Juell, Byron Martinez, Scott Shibuya, Jay Griffin, Adam Treinen-Aea), 7:14.71. 2. Kailua, 7:26.57. 3. Lanikai, 7:34.05.

Novice B--(1/2 mile): 1. Hui Lanakila (Robert Keller, Mark Riegel, Allen Mahuka, Scott Melemai, Tino Campos, Gavin Hanoa), 3:40.79. 2. Healani, 3:53.24. 3. Kailua, 3:55.52.

Freshmen--(1 mile): 1. Kailua (Vili Malamala, Kawai Mahoe, Lyle Nicely, Kenny Flores, Pat Ka'awaloa, Pat Von), 7:07.66. 2. Hui Lanakila, 7:15.57. 3. Hui Nalu, 7:17.48.

Sophomores--(1 mile): 1. Hui Lanakila (Manny Kulukulualani, Raven Aipa, Mel Pu'u, Tomas Schlotman, Greg Poole, Kalama Heine), 6:53.14. 2. Healani, 6:55.95. 3. Lanikai, 7:03.11.

Juniors--(1 mile): 1. Hui Nalu (Andrew Glatzel, Steve Kelly, Nate Sparks, Todd Payes, Kai Mowat, Heath Hemmings), 7:10.77. 2. Lanikai, 7:11.17. 3. Outrigger, 7:27.49.

Seniors--(1 1/2 miles): 1. Healani (Kea Paiaina, Bill Pratt, Andy Penny, Maui Kjeldsen, Kai Ahsam, Tad Yamashita), 10:44.46. 2. Hui Lanakila, 10:46.58. 3. Hui Nalu, 11:03.36.

Masters--(1 mile): 1. Hui Lanakila (Sam Alama, Fred Delos Santos, James Hewitt, Stephen Holbrook, Leighton Look, Miles Sakai), 7:21.37. 2. Outrigger, 7:40.95. 3. Lanikai, 7:52.91.

Senior masters--(1/2 mile): 1. Hui Lanakila (Lindsey Todd, Mel Mau, Allan Moon, Jon Coito, Ron Secretario, Butch Ukishima), 3:44.63. 2. Kailua, 3:54.47. 3. Outrigger, 3:57.15.

Golden masters--(1/2 mile): 1. Kailua (Paul Gay, Hank Leandro, Jeff Metzger, Paul Shaner, Robert Thurston, Mike Watson), 3:57.77. 2. Hui Lanakila, 4:02.35. 3. Anuenue, 4:03.12.

Open 4--(1/2 mile): 1. Keahiakahoe (Tyson Rodrigues, Joshua Dang, Sam Kaliihoomalu, Kamuela Lau), 3:57.34. 2. Anuenue, 4:03.98. 3. Lanikai, 4:04.42.

Women

Novice A--(1/2 mile): 1. Healani (Stacey Aema, Anne Neal, Luanne Smith, Lauren Weisenberger, Jen Hodges, Jennifer Lim), 4:23.03. 2. Kailua, 4:27.78. 3. Lanikai, 4:29.70.

Novice B--(1/4 mile): 1. Healani (Nicole Candy, Steph Verdung, Jeneal Hokoana, Sally Rupert, Tina Wrensinski, Kelli Bullock), 2:09.64. 2. Kailua, 2:11.64. 3. Lanikai, 2:12.33.

Freshmen--(1 mile): 1. Hui Nalu (Nani Akeo, Lilia Kapunia, Maggie Twigg-Smith, Sarah Parker, Traci Taylor, Melissa Totherow), 8:42.58. 2. Outrigger, 8:43.32. 3. Lanikai, 9:06.57.

Sophomores--(1 mile): 1. Hui Nalu (Kelly Allen, Catherine Fuller, Julie Aio, Gail Kaaialii, Keala Hironaka-Tampon, Kau Pelekane), 8:12.34. 2. Kailua, 8:14.58. 3. Healani, 8:40.85.

Juniors--(1 mile): 1. Hui Nalu (Maile Chong, Tammy Kaneaialeala, Cathee Kukea, Niki Queyrel, Nicole Bates, Tina Roque), 8:47.49. 2. Hui Lanakila, 8:58.16. 3. Lanikai, 9:00.58.

Seniors--(1 1/2 miles): 1. Hui Nalu (Kelly Allen, Catherine Fuller, Julie Aio, Gail Kaaialii, Tammy Kaneaiakala, Kau Pelekani), 12:45.82. 2. Outrigger, 12:55.82. 3. Kailua, 13:08.69.

Masters--(1 mile): 1. Hui Nalu (Linda Fernandez, Lorey Bode, Ginger Lockette, Emily Godinet, Tammy Wallace, Denise Darval-Chang), 8:15.93. 2. Outrigger, 8:16.70. 3. Waikiki Surf, 8:45.34.

Senior masters--(1/2 mile): 1. Hui Nalu (Lurline McGregor, Pat Chung, Reina Garcia, KT Scott, Lindsey Styan, Lita Blankenfeld), 4:23.99. 2. Waikiki Surf, 4:28.69. 3. Lanikai, 4:32.98.

Golden masters--(1/2 mile): 1. Outrigger (Diane Stowell, Ann Cundall, Pam Zak, Barbara Bryan, Patty Mowat, Keaueneue Rochlen), 5:01.57. 2. Hui Nalu, 5:09.04. 3. Kailua, 5:13.73.

Open 4--(1/2 mile): 1. Hui Lanakila (Pauahi Ioane, Nani Flores, Michelle Arnold, Heali'i Kihune), 4:45.62. 2. Kailua, 4:50.28. 3. Hui Nalu, 4:59.82.

Mixed

12-and-under--(1/4 mile): 1. Keahiakahoe (Kawaimaka Enos, La'akea Kahookele, Dayna Rombawa, Kapua Kalahiki-Anthony, Tehani Waialae, Kalei Kahookele), 2:11.25. 2. Lanikai, 2:20.00. 3. Anuenue, 2:24.09.

Novice B--(1/4 mile): 1. Hui Lanakila (Joy Strong, Michelle McGurr, Lea Wakabayashi, Mitchell Ige, Kalani Lee-Kwai, Darren Matsumoto), 2:07.22. 2. Kailua, 2:07.71. 3. Lanikai, 2:08.94.

Masters--(1/2 mile): 1. Outrigger (Walter Guild, Marc Haine, Courtney Seto, Laurie Lawson, Naunanikinau Kamalii, Tiare Richert-Finner), 3:52.94. 2. Hui Nalu, 4:00.23. 3. Kailua, 4:04.06.

Senior masters--(1/2 mile): 1. Outrigger (Sean Monahan, Mark Sandvold, Byron Ho, Jennifer Thayer, Kelsey Buell, Malia Kamisugi), 3:49.34. 2. Kailua, 4:00.10. 3. Hui Lanakila, 4:08.84.

Golden masters--(1/2 mile): 1. Kailua (Hank Leandro, Bob Thurston, Tom Conner, Sarah Watson, Shelly Gilman, Yvonne Keahi), 4:08.30. 2. Hui Nalu, 4:14.48. 3. Anuenue, 4:25.31.
